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At the time of the inspection, supplemental permits allowing waste pickle liquor to be shipped to Pfizer were due to expire. No further supplementals were to be issued without the facility obtaining an agency development/operating permit. On December 10, 1982, two (2) six month supplemental permits were issued with the special condition that Agency approval be obtained for the pending development permit prior to the renewal of these waste stream permits.

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